



AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the preferred embodiment of the present invention, second portion 44 of the third field plate is electrically connected to second portion 38 of the second field plate by an electrical connector 50. Second portion 38 of the second field plate is electrically connected to drain region 26 by an electrical connector 50. Second portion 33 of the first ~~field~~ field plate is electrically connected to second portion ~~39~~ 38 of the second field plate by an electrical connector 50. Furthermore, first portion 36 of the second field plate is electrically connected to first field plate 32 by an electrical connector 50. In addition, first portion 42 of the third field plate is electrically connected to source region 20 and preferably to body region 14 by one electrical connector or a series of connectors 50.